these fields. There will be no sharing of Profit Petroleum with the State Government of Rajasthan from pre-New Exploration Licensing Policy/Joint Venture blocks.

Oil from Barmer-Sanchore basin

†3615. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) by when the commerical production of oil from Barmer-Sanchore basin is likely to begin;

(b) whether and by when the oil and natural gas produced from this area will yield profits to Government;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to provide State share therefrom; and

(d) if so, upto what percentage, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHAJ. PATEL): (a) The commerical production from Barmer-Sanchore basin is likely to commence in 2008-09.

(b) Government will get its share of Profit petroleum in terms of the provisions of the concerned Production Sharing Contract. The Profit Petroleum would depend on the development cost and value of the production, which will accrue from these fields. There will be no sharing of Proft Petroleum with the State Government concerned from pre-NELP/JV blocks.

(c) and (d) The Central Government has accepted the recommendations of Twelfth Finance Commission to share Profit Petroleum (PP) and Production Level Payment (PLP) arising out of contracts under the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) and Coal Bed Methane (CBM) policy with the concerned States in the ratio of 50:50. However, this profit sharing will not be applicable for RJ-ON-90/1 which is pre-NELP and Joint Ventures Block.

Production of Bio-diesel

3616. SHRI P.R. RAJAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

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